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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, JUNE 4, 2002

PETITION OF

VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND
POWER COMPANY

CASE NO. PUE-2002-00180

For a Declaratory Judgment and,
in the Alternative, Application
for Authority to Construct and
Operate Transmission Facilities
Pursuant to the Utility Facilities
Act

ORDER

Before the Commission is the Commission Staff Motion for Extension of Filing Date for its report on this application and the response of Virginia Electric and Power Company d/b/a Dominion Virginia Power Company ("Dominion Virginia" or "Company"). The Staff moved to extend the filing date for its report from June 5, 2002, to June 24, 2002, to permit receipt of a report from the Department of Environmental Quality on a coordinated review of this application to construct an underground transmission line in the City of Norfolk. Dominion Virginia opposed the extension out of concern that the Commission would not act on the application prior to the scheduled date for the start of the construction. The Company also questioned the need for a full review of the project, which, according to the response is "in an area in which there

are no historical, wetlands, or other special environmental considerations."

Upon consideration of the motion and response, the Commission will grant the requested relief and extend the Staff filing date to June 24, 2002. The Commission acknowledges Dominion Virginia's concern with securing the required certificate in order to commence construction. We will direct the Staff to coordinate with the Department of Environmental Quality to assure preparation of the report as quickly as possible. The Commission recognizes that the Department of Environmental Quality has multiple responsibilities, and we would appreciate all efforts to complete the review as rapidly as resources permit. As for the Commission, we will review the application, Staff report, and any comments with dispatch and take timely action.

The Staff also recommended in its motion that the Commission fix a closing date for comments and requests for hearing and fix a date for any comments from Dominion Virginia. We will set those dates.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) The Commission Staff Motion for Extension of Filing Date is granted.

(2) On or before June 17, 2002, any interested person may file with the Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document

Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118, an original and fifteen (15) copies of any comments on the application or a request for hearing and shall simultaneously serve a copy on counsel to Dominion Virginia Power, James C. Dimitri, Esquire, and M. Renae Carter, Esquire, McGuireWoods LLP, One James Center, 901 East Cary Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219; Pamela Walker, Esquire; and Jill Hayek, Esquire, Virginia Electric and Power Company, P.O. Box 26532, Richmond, Virginia 23261.

(3) On before June 24, 2002, the Commission Staff shall file its report with the Clerk and shall simultaneously serve copies on counsel to Dominion Virginia.

(4) On or before July 1, 2002, Dominion Virginia may file with the Clerk an original and fifteen (15) copies of any comments on the Staff report and any response to comments and request for a hearing and shall simultaneously serve a copy on any person filing comments or a request for a hearing.

(5) Forthwith upon receipt, Dominion Virginia shall provide a copy of this Order to all persons provided a copy of its application and the Commission's Order of April 18, 2002.

(6) On or before June 24, 2002, Dominion Virginia shall file with the Clerk a certificate of mailing or other delivery of the service ordered in ordering paragraph (5).